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In re Application of :  
Tomoo Kimura et al :  
Application No. 09/964,515 :  
Filed: September 28, 2001 :  
Attorney Docket No. 60188-101 :

**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition, filed February 3, 2005, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

**Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on December 29, 2004 in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.<sup>1</sup>**

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

The examiner of Technology Center AU 2825 will consider the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.

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<sup>1</sup> The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form must be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).



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Date : February 4, 2005  
TO : Director, Office of Patent Publication  
FROM : Office of the Deputy Commissioner  
for Patent Examination Policy  
SUBJECT : Withdrawal from Issue of Application No. 09/964,515

Applicant(s) : Tomoo Kimura et al  
Application No. : 09/964,515  
Filed : September 28, 2001

The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,857,111 and an issue date of February 15, 2005.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicants.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of February 15, 2005:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,857,111 to Tomoo Kimura et al of Japan, for CIRCUIT OPERATION VERIFYING METHOD AND APPARATUS appearing in the Official Gazette of February 15, 2005 should be deleted since no patent was granted."

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